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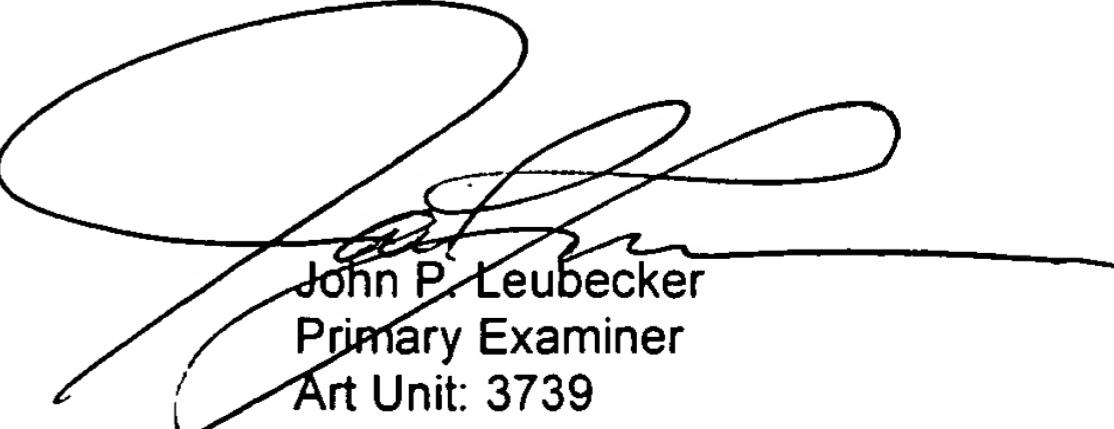
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The reply brief filed December 21, 2005 has been entered and considered. The Examiner takes the position that each disputed issue has been treated properly and maintains that the Examiner's Answer speaks for itself. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.



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